

# STRIX NEBULOSA.



## CHARACTER GENERICUS.

*Rostrum* aduncum. (absque cera.)

*Nares* pennis setaceis recumbentibus obtectæ.

*Caput* grande: auribus oculisque magnis.

*Lingua* bifida.

*Lin. Syst. Nat.* p. 131.

Ord. *Accipitres.*

## CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

STRIX fusco albidoque transversim fasciata, abdomine albo maculis oblongis ferrugineis.

*Penn. Zool. Arct.* p. 234.

*Act. Angl.* vol. 62. p. 424.

*Lath. Synops.* p. 133.

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Hæc avis inter majores sui generis existat, quamvis aliis speciebus magnitudine impar. Specimen a Doctore FORSTER in Actis Anglicis descriptum pondere erat librarum trium, longitudine sedecim unciarum, latitudine quatuor pedum. Tota avis fusco albidoque colore transversim fasciata est, fasciis versus caput minoribus et numerosioribus. In imo ventre et super latera sunt maculæ variæ longitudinales, magnæ, ferrugineo-fuscæ. Pallidæ quæ oculos cingunt plumæ,

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striis

striis concentricis fuscis leviter notantur. Super remiges alarum et caudam fasciæ alternatim albæ fuscæque majores sunt, et magis conspicuæ quam in aliis partibus. Colores totius avis sunt molles et eleganter dispositi. Sinum Hudsoni in America Septentrionali inhabitat hæc avis.





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GENERIC CHARACTER.

*Bill* crooked (not furnished with a cere.)  
*Nostrils* covered with recumbent bristly feathers.  
*Head* large: *Ears* and *Eyes* large.  
*Tongue* bifid.

*Lin. Syst. Nat.*—*Accipitres*.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

OWL transversly fasciated with brown and whitish, the belly white with oblong ferruginous spots.

BARRED OWL.

*Pennant. Arct. Zool.* p. 234.

*Lath. Synopf.* p. 133.

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This is one of the larger species of Owls, though inferior in size to some others of the genus. A specimen described by Dr. FORSTER in the Philosophical Transactions weighed three pounds, and was in length sixteen inches, and in breadth, when extended, four feet. The whole bird is transversly barred with brown and whitish; the bars being smallest, and most nume-

rous towards the head. On the lower part of the belly, and on the sides, are some large longitudinal marks of ferruginous brown. The feathers surrounding the eyes are of a pale colour, lightly marked with concentric striæ of brownish. On the long feathers of the wings and tail, the alternate bars of brown and white are larger and more conspicuous than on the other parts. The colours on the whole bird are soft, and very elegantly disposed. It is a native of Hudson's Bay.